

# State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY  
GOVERNOR

## RURITAN CLUB WEEK

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since 1928, Ruritan National has provided outstanding leadership in various communities across the United States by sponsoring understanding between urban and rural inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, Ruritan was established with the organization of Sunbury Ruritan Club in 1935 sponsored by the Holland Club and now has 229 clubs with a membership of over 5,750; and

WHEREAS, Ruritan National Foundation has an "Operation We Care" fund to help during disasters; and

WHEREAS, through district organizations, the Ruritans promote industry and education, assist the poor and disabled, and initiate countless campaigns for the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, their efforts serve to unite all individuals, organizations and institutions in the community, thereby creating an ideal place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, such fellowship and goodwill enable Ruritans across our State to work with agencies serving the community, contributing directly to their progress and fostering in them the ideal of service as the basis of all worthy enterprises;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 18-24, 2008, as "**RURITAN CLUB WEEK**" in North Carolina and urge our citizens to recognize the contributions given to our communities through this and all other community service organizations.



  
MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this eighth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.